PEOPLES GAS NORTH SHORE GAS 2018-2021 EVALUATION PLANS

PRESENTATION TO THE ILLINOIS SAG

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OBJECTIVES FOR TODAY'S PRESENTATION

Peoples Gas – North Shore Gas Multi-Year Evaluation Plans for 2018-2021

- 1. Overview of programs being evaluated
 - Impact or process?
 - What year(s) will the evaluations be completed?
- 2. Methodological approach
 - When will AMI (billing usage for natural gas) data be used?
- 3. Coordination with other programs and utilities
- 4. Budget priorities
 - General approach for prioritizing resources
 - Budget for responding to TRM requests?
- 5. Additional research (e.g. EM&V studies?)
- 6. Q&A and stakeholder feedback

2018-2021 PGL & NSG PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

Program Offerings	Portfolio Net Therm Savings
Income Eligible	14%
Single Family	7%
Multi-Family	7%
Residential	37%
Outreach and Education (Kits and Behavioral)	9%
Single Family (DI and Rebates)	11%
Multi-Family (DI and Comprehensive)	17%
Business Programs	49%
Small Business	7%
C&I Businesses	30%
Public Sector	12%

The tables that follow are preliminary plans for each evaluation, covering:

- Process Evaluation Research
- NTG Research
- Gross Impact Evaluation

In several cases, the table rows show "Evaluated Components" of comprehensive programs when different evaluation approaches are applied to components of a comprehensive market delivery approach

First, background on approaches

Process Research

- In-Depth Scope Once per four-year planning cycle, timed with NTG
- Limited Scope Annual review with PM/IC, materials
- Ad-hoc process research

Net-to-Gross Research

- Conduct research once per four-year planning cycle
- NTG research timing criteria:
 - 1. Is the most recent research result valid for deeming?
 - 2. How many years since the last research?
 - 3. Program maturity: When is the right time?
 - 4. How large are the program impacts in the portfolio?
 - 5. How much variation do we expect?
 - 6. Joint or not-joint? What are the plans for ComEd and Ameren?
 - 7. Balance the evaluation effort over the four years
- Move toward more real-time (RT) and on-line survey research
- Include free ridership and spillover in NTG, although research may be done separately
- Follow the TRM NTG protocol or notify parties of divergence
- No NTG research when billing regression provides net savings

Gross Impact Evaluation Overview

- Estimate verified gross impacts annually on every program
- Five main gross impact methodologies:
 - 1. TRM-based measure verification
 - 2. Custom project engineering review and on-site M&V
 - 3. Billing usage regression analysis
 - 4. Calibrated simulation (calibrated to billing usage)
 - 5. Review data and apply previous year's realization rate
- **More real-time research** impact evaluation during the program year
 - Mid-year evaluation verification of TRM-based measures
 - Conduct one to three waves of custom project verification
- End-of-Year (EOY) final verification compressed reporting timeline
 - Attempt to have at least 75 percent of custom project savings verified during the program year

Verified Net Savings = Verified Gross x Deemed NTG

Use of AMI (billing usage) data

- **Billing Usage Regression Analysis**
 - 1. Behavioral Programs: Home Energy Reports
 - 2. Smart Thermostat impact analysis (residential)
 - 3. Current and potential TRM measure research will be considered, but no studies are planned at this time
- Calibrated Simulation/Calibrated Engineering Models
 - 1. About one in four custom project verifications use billing usage history (for process and difficult to model savings)
 - 2. Residential New Construction
 - 3. Whole House Retrofits (potential research topic)
 - 4. Affordable Housing NC (depends on savings volume)

2018-2021 – INCOME ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS

	Evaluation Activities by Year					
Evaluated Component	In-Depth Process Research	NTG Research Timing	NTG Approach	Annual Gross Impact Approach	Gross Impact Timing	
	Income Eligible Single Family					
DI and Comprehensive Retrofits	2018	None	Deemed 1.0	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Income Eligible New Construction						
Developer NC	2018	TBD	TBD	Engr. Review	EOY	
Income Eligible Multi-Family						
Assessment / DI	2018	TBD	TBD	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Retrofit Rebates	2018	TBD	TBD	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Custom Projects	2018	TBD	TBD	Engr. Review	Waves & EOY	

2018-2021 – RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

	Evaluation Activities by Year					
Evaluated Component	In-Depth Process Research	NTG Research Timing	NTG Approach	Annual Gross Impact Approach	Gross Impact Timing	
		Educa	tion and Outreach			
Home Energy Reports	Optional	N/A	N/A	Billing Analysis	EOY	
EEE	2019	None	Deem 1.0	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
	Single F	amily Assessm	ents / DI (Home Er	ergy Jumpstart)		
Assessment / DI	2020	2020	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
		Singl	e Family Rebates			
Equipment Rebates	2020	2020	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Weatherization Rebates	2020	2020	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Advanced Tstat	Optional	None	N/A	TRM Based / Billing Analysis	Mid-YR & EOY / One-time TRM Update 2019	
Residential New Construction						
New Construction	2019	2019	Protocol	Engr. Review or Calibrated Simulation	EOY	
Multi-Family						
Assessment / DI	2018	2018	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Standard / PTA Rebates	2018	2018	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Custom & Gas Opt.	2018	2018	Protocol	Engr. Review / On-site M&V	Waves & EOY	

2018-2021 – BUSINESS PROGRAMS

	Evaluation Activities by Year					
Evaluated Component	In-Depth Process Research	NTG Research Timing	NTG Approach	Annual Gross Impact Approach	Gross Impact Timing	
		:	Small Business			
Assessment / DI	2020	2020	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Rebates	2020	2020	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Custom	2020	2020	Protocol	Engr. Review	Waves & EOY	
	Business Assessments and Grants / Rebates					
Assessment / DI	2019	2019	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Prescriptive Rebates	2019	2019	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	
Custom	2018	2018	Protocol	Engr. Review; On-Site M&V	Large Project Early Review Waves & EOY	
Gas Optimization	2021	2021	Protocol	Engr. Review; On-Site M&V	Waves & EOY	
Retro-Commissioning	2021	2021	Protocol	Engr. Review; On-Site M&V	Waves & EOY	
Joint New Construction	Combine with NTG	2019 and 2021	Protocol	Engr. Review	Waves & EOY	
Upstream Prescriptive Rebates						
Upstream	2021	2021	Protocol / TBD	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY	

2018-2021 – PUBLIC SECTOR PROGRAMS

	Evaluation Activities by Year				
Evaluated Component	In-Depth Process Research	NTG Research Timing	NTG Approach	Annual Gross Impact Approach	Gross Impact Timing
		Assessme	ents and Grants / Rebat	es	
Assessment / DI	2019	2019	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY
Prescriptive Rebates	2019	2019	Protocol	TRM Based	Mid-YR & EOY
Custom	2018 and 2020	2018 and 2020	Protocol	Engr. Review; On-Site M&V	Large Project Early Review Waves & EOY
Gas Optimization	2021	2021	Protocol	Engr. Review; On-Site M&V	Waves & EOY
Retro-Commissioning	2021	2021	Protocol	Engr. Review; On-Site M&V	Waves & EOY
Joint New Construction	Combine with NTG	2019 and 2021	Protocol	Engr. Review	Waves & EOY
Public Housing Authority					
РНА	2018	TBD	TBD	TRM Based / Engr. Review	Mid-YR, Waves, & EOY

COORDINATION ACROSS UTILITIES

 Navigant coordinates with the other utilities, today, on an ongoing basis this includes Ameren, ComEd and Nicor Gas

Coordination beyond specific programs occurs as follows:

- SAG meetings on specific topics and issue management
- Via e-mail on Illinois-wide key issues or issues that are program specific and may impact multiple utility programs
- Illinois NTG Framework updating the framework is an ongoing discussion
- Illinois TRM Technical Advisory Committee
- Coordination calls (schedule monthly)

Gas/Electric Joint Program Evaluations (with ComEd evaluation team)

- Some evaluations will be done jointly (BNC, RCx, etc.)
- Joint programs can be evaluated separately in some cases

Support Coordination on Research Studies

- Smart Thermostat billing analysis (residential)
- TRM measure research will be considered

2018-2021 – BUDGET PRIORITIES

Prioritizing Resources

- Meet Requirements for Savings Verification and Reporting
- Program Contribution to Portfolio Net Savings
- Program Spending within Portfolio
- Program Maturity
- Program/Implementer Needs and Effectiveness
- SAG Input and ICC Orders
- High Impact Measures
- Savings Uncertainty

Budget for TRM Requests

Annual allocation for participation in TRM TAC & workpaper review

Additional Research

- Participate in an updated residential Smart Thermostat billing analysis
- TRM measure research will be considered
- Other topics will be considered
- Budgets comparable to GPY4-6
- Can we leverage joint studies?

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